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For : ACTIVATION OF MULTIPLE XDSL MODEMS WITH IMPLICIT CHANNEL PROBE

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby calls the following information to the Examiner's attention:

A copy of an Australian Examination Report mailed on January 29, 2003 with respect to related Singapore Application No. SG 200006529-2 is enclosed, in which the following documents are cited:

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 5,463,382 to NIKAS et al., which issued on October 31, 1995; and
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 5,377,188 to SEKI, which issued on December 27, 1994.

A copy of a Canadian Office Action dated February 11, 2003 with respect to related Canadian Application No. 2,322,581 is enclosed, in which the following documents are cited:

- (3) Canadian Patent No. 2,027,230 to YANG et al., which was published on April 18, 1995;

(4) Canadian Patent Application No. 2,111,543 to SCOTT, which was published on June 18, 1994; and

(5) U.S. Patent No. 5,349,635 to SCOTT, which issued on September 20, 1994.

A copy of a Canadian Office Action dated January 6, 2003 with respect to related Canadian Application No. 2,288,283 is enclosed, in which the following documents are cited:

(6) U.S. Patent No. 5,463,661 to MORAN et al., which issued on October 31, 1995; and

(7) U.S. Patent No. 5,715,277 to GOODSON et al., which issued on February 3, 1998.

Applicant notes that documents (1), (2) and (5)-(7) were previously cited in the instant application. Therefore, copies of these documents are not enclosed herewith. However, a copy of documents (3) and (4), along with the Australian Examination Reject, and Canadian Office Actions are enclosed.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider and cite these patent documents. The above-cited documents have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents in the manner considered by the Australian and Canadian Offices.

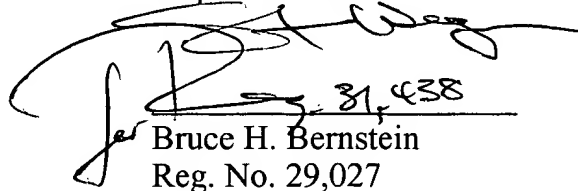
Since this Statement is being submitted after the mailing of the final rejection, Applicant submits herewith the requisite fee of \$180.00 set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).

Moreover, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e), the undersigned hereby states that each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement. Of course, this statement does not apply to information that has previously been cited by Applicant or the Examiner in the present application as that information is already of record and no certification is necessary. Moreover, the above certification does not apply to any English language family members submitted herewith for the convenience of the Examiner.

Moreover, if a check including the above-noted amount is not attached, the Commissioner is authorized to charge payment of this and/or any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19 - 0089.

Should there be any questions or comments regarding this matter, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at (703) 716-1191.

Respectfully submitted,
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